

STATION NEWS

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WEATHER

	Maximum	Minimum	Precipitation
December 11	21	11	Trace of Snow
December 12	21	12	Trace of Snow
December 13	18	10	Trace of Snow
December 14	19	9	.2 in. of Snow
December 15	24	11	Cloudy
December 16	31	15	.5 in. of Snow
December 17	35	24	.6 in. of Snow
December 18	36	27	.04 Rain & Snow
December 19	43	15	Trace of Rain
December 20	12	-4	Trace of Snow
December 21	28	20	Trace of Snow
December 22	32	15	6 in. of Snow
December 23	39	18	Trace of Snow
December 24	26	11	Trace of Snow
December 25	36	17	Cloudy
December 26	29	4	Trace of Snow
December 27	27	5	Fair
December 28	33	14	Trace of Snow
December 29	33	8	1.1 in. of Snow
December 30	10	-4	.7 in. of Snow
December 31	11	0	1.4 in. of Snow
January 1	21	8	.2 in. of Snow
January 2	26	17	.5 in. of Snow
January 3	32	21	Cloudy
January 4	34	23	.8 in. of Snow
January 5	36	27	Cloudy
January 6	33	26	Cloudy
January 7	34	29	Cloudy
January 8	35	29	Cloudy

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

Another year has slipped by, and with the coming of a new January everyone seems to have a little more enthusiasm, some have resolutions which may or may not be broken in the course of time, and all of us are probably having trouble remembering to write 1963 instead of 1962.

All in all, 1962 was both exciting and successful. It was a year in which great strides were made in outer space what with the several successful space launchings of the Soviet Union and the United States. It was the year of Telestar--a remarkable broadcasting system in space. 1962 was also an election year, and a year in which the United States came close to becoming involved in war. Even though the Cuban crisis has momentarily been resolved, the situation is still termed as being "highly dangerous." Of course, such places as the Congo and Berlin still remain sources of major conflict.

As far as the Experiment Station is concerned many changes took place. A continuing effort was made to improve the physical facilities of the Station, several new faces joined the Experiment Station family, and several others retired from the active roster. As with everything in life, all events were not those bringing joy. The deaths of Leo Klein and Dr. G. E. R. Hervey brought sadness to members of the Station family and the community.

Looking ahead, 1963 is upon us. What it will bring only time will tell.

KLEIN MEMORIAL FUND CONTINUES TO GROW

A check for \$1,475 to be added to the Klein Memorial Fund was recently received from the Cannery and Freezers Association. With the addition of this generous gift from the members of the Cannery and Freezers Association, a total of nearly \$2,800 has been turned over to Mrs. Klein.

SEED INVESTIGATIONS

Professor Farnsworth's senior class in Seeding and Planting at the State University College of Forestry, Syracuse, has been making several scheduled class lecture and discussion visits to the Seed Department during the latter part of December and January. The first trip was made on 21 December when the theme of general seed testing and the work of an official seed laboratory were discussed. Claude Heit led the discussion on tree seed testing. On other trips, the main topic of discussion will be germination of tree seed, particularly as how it applies to nursery production. The problems of dormancy and seed source are also slated for review. The next visit of the class is scheduled for 11 January.

VITTUM ATTENDS NE MEETINGS

Dr. M. T. Vittum, Vegetable Crops, spent 1-5 January in New York City attending the meeting of regional projects NE-48 and NE-35. Dr. S. Shannon also attended the NE-48 meeting and Dr. N. H. Peck the NE-35 session. Both Shannon and Peck are with the Department of Vegetable Crops.

DR. WAY IMPROVING

As many members of the Station know, Dr. R. D. Way, Pomology, has been hospitalized during recent weeks. He is now at home recovering, but still is required to take things fairly easy.

HANSEN PLANS RETURN

Dr. Kenneth Hansen, a former member of the Department of Pomology, is planning to return to the United States in early August. He left the Experiment Station a couple of years ago to go to Lebanon.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY TO MEET

The annual meetings of the New York State Horticultural Society will be held at the Rochester War Memorial on 15, 16, and 17 January and will be continued on the 22, 23, and 24 of January at Kingston, New York. Several of the Station staff are scheduled to appear on the program. As usual, the Station will be responsible for preparing exhibits at both meetings.

NOTES OF INTEREST

Did you know about 2,000,000 acres are moving out of agriculture annually, according to the U. S. Department of Agriculture? Of this total, about 1,000,000 acres go for such uses as highways and airports. The remaining 50 per cent is earmarked for special purposes such as rural parks, wild-life refuges, national defense areas, water supply facilities, and flood control areas. Of the 2,000,000 no longer regarded as a part of agriculture, the USDA estimates that 40 per cent had previously been cropland or in grass-land pasture, 40 per cent in forest, and the remaining 20 per cent in idle land.

QUOTABLE QUOTE

"A man's success may be measured not by what he has--but by what he has given." (County Parson in the San Francisco Chronicle).